

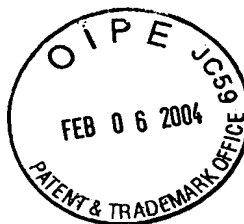
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Docket No. 216011US3

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoshinobu TAKANO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/987,551

FILED: November 15, 2001

FOR: BRANCHING METHOD FOR AN OPTICAL FIBER CABLE



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- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- ☐ Additional documents filed herewith:

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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